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SUBJECT: BOLIVIAN CORRIDOR: CHILE REQUESTS OFFICIAL TEXT OF BOLIVIAN MESSAGE

1. THE FONMINISTRY ANNOUNCED DEC 27 THAT IT HAD REQUESTED THE COMPLETE TEXT OF PRESIDENT BANZER'S TELEVISED CHRISTMAS MESSAGE, WHICH REPORTEDLY ASKED CHILE AND PERU TO MODIFY THEIR POSITIONS ON THE CORRIDOR. THE MINISTRY STATEMENT SAID THE REQUEST WAS MADE IN ORDER TO CONTINUE THE NEGOTIATIONS "THROUGH NORMAL CHANNELS." IN HIS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE, BANZER REPORTEDLY ASKED THE CHILEANS TO DROP THE IDEA OF TERRITORIAL EXCHANGE AND THE PERUVIANS TO DROP THE IDEA OF A ZONE OF TRIPARTITIE SOVEREIGNTY, LEAVING THE PROPOSED BOLIVIAN CORRIDOR INTACT.

- 2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS, BOLIVIAN AMBASSADOR TO CHILE ADALBERTO VIOLAND SAID THAT AT NO TIME IN HIS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE DID BANZER REJECT THE CHILEAN OR THE PERUVIAN POSITIONS, BUT RATHER REQUESTED THAT THESE POSITIONS BE MODIFIED ALONG LINES PROPOSED BY BOLIVIA.
- 3. COMMENT: THE CHILEAN MEDIA GAVE BANZER'S STATEMENT LOW UNCLASSIFIED  $\,$

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KEY TREATMENT. THE FONMINISTRY TOOK THE SAME POSITION THAT IT HAS WITH THE GOP PUBLIC STATEMENTS -- PROPOSING THE TRIPARTITE ZONE -- I.E., IF A GOVERNMENT HAS ANYTHING TO SAY TO AN INTERLOCUTOR IN A NEGOTIATION, THEN SAY IT OFFICIALLY. THIS SEEMS A HOLDING MANEUVER, PENDING DECISIONS AS TO FURTHER STEPS IF ANY.

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